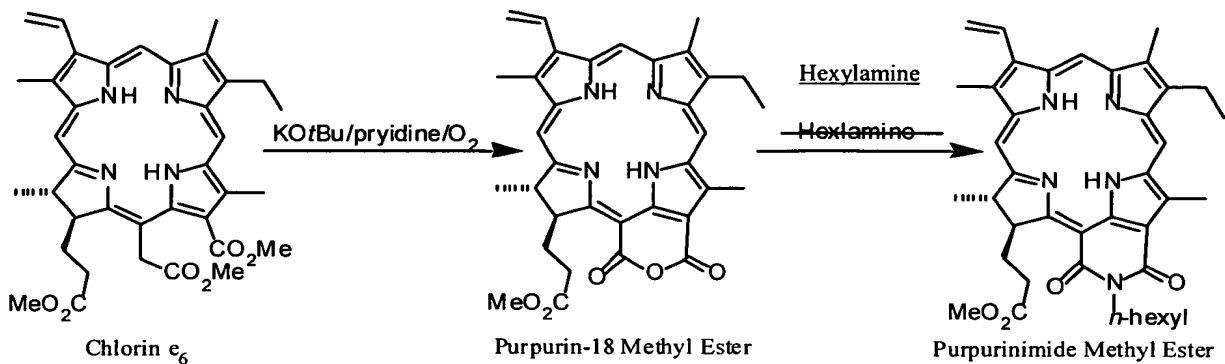


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REMARKS

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The Specification is amended to correct obvious typographical, formatting, and grammatical errors. In particular, the amendment to the reaction scheme on page 13, line 1 of the Specification replaces the term "hexlamine" with "hexylamine" for clarity. The amendment finds basis in the "n-hexylamine" substituent in the product (Purpurinimide Methyl Ester) of the same reaction scheme on page 13.

No new matter has been added.

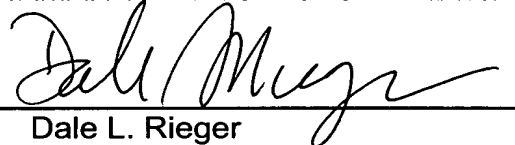
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Entry of this amendment and examination of this application are respectfully requested.

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